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be held tomorrow  
at the W. C. T. U.  
he president.

High school.  
debate was held by  
senior Shakespeare  
class. The question  
was taken by  
Miss Cordelia Wal-  
ton, by Miss Myrtle  
Honbrake. Mrs.  
Mrs. R. L. Walton  
judges.

Elwin.  
the central examination  
March 1, was ex-  
car. The following

in the higher course,  
average, 97, of the

Col. Byron William,

96, of the Boddy  
year; Jessie Jones,  
94, of the Elwin  
who was a tie between  
and Johnnie Pfeifer,

the school. May Dills  
took rank three.

To Day.

late Mrs Susana Epi-  
speroon at 3:30 o'clock  
in East Conduit street,  
conducted by Rev.

was at Greenwood  
bearers were Henry  
er, William Garrett,  
Gobhart and F. M.

late Peter Sells was  
an afternoon from the  
h Colfax street. The  
wood cemetery.

Organized.

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ams have been organ-  
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latter have received  
St. Louis and expect to  
have a return game in  
will go to Springfield

M. C. A. club of that  
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the Republican voters  
avably at the primaries.

TING HIS WIFE.

On Trial in the County  
rged With Assault  
d Battery.

the man who was at-  
his wife, was on trial  
fore Judge Hammer in  
t. Attorney Wilson de-  
and Attorney A. H. Mills  
case. Cussins it seems  
wife's actions and it is  
her. The trial will  
o a close before night.  
case was composed of  
W. Foster, John S. Jones,  
M. J. Wallace, William  
W. James, W. C. Pluck,  
McCarthy, William Leake

RESTS MADE.

sue to Appear Against  
Who Cut Him with  
a Razor.

a young negro man who  
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## PERSONAL MENTION.

J. W. McClellan went to Cham-  
paign last night.

T. D. Smith has gone to Springfield  
on a business trip.

Mrs. Arthur Hartley is visiting rela-  
tives in Jacksonville.

John B. Maus, of St. Louis, is in the  
city visiting friends.

George R. Steeles, who has been se-  
riously ill, is better.

John R. Dougherty is confined to his  
home by illness.

Dennis Bradley is home from a visit  
to Canada and New York.

B. K. Durfee was in the city yes-  
terday from Springfield.

Miss Mattie Bennington is ill at her  
home on North Dunham street.

Albert C. Stifel left yesterday for  
Des Moines, Iowa, on a business trip.

George Dunston left today for Chi-  
cago where he will attend the grand  
opera.

Ross Hockaday, chairman of the  
county board, was in the city to day on  
business.

Miss Garrett, of Burlington, Iowa,  
arrived in the city to day to visit Miss  
Maud Burrows.

Mrs. J. F. Mattes and children left  
last night for St. Louis where they will  
visit friends for a week.

Miss Bertha Bowers, who has been in  
the city visiting friends, has returned to  
her home in Bloomington.

Mr. and Mrs. V. N. Hinkle, 322 South  
Union street, last evening entertained a  
few of their friends with cards.

Miss Daisy Wheeler of Edwardsville,  
visited in the city yesterday with Miss  
Spalding. She was on her way to Chi-  
cago where she will visit friends.

Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Pratt and daugh-  
ters, who came down from Chicago last  
evening to attend the funeral of Mrs. I.  
J. Davis, returned home at noon today.

THE CITIZENS' MUTUAL CO.

Brief Session at the Adjourned Meeting of  
the Stockholders.

The adjourned meeting of the stock-  
holders of the Citizens' Mutual Telephone  
company was held last night. It was of  
very brief duration. Nearly all the stock  
was represented. The meeting was called to  
order. On motion an adjournment was  
immediately taken until April 15, when it is understood something definite  
will take place. The old management is  
in full charge of the plant.

The Fire at Case.

Casey, March 2.—The losers by the big  
fire at this place were Fuqua & Sons'  
bank, H. & B. Lee company, E. L. Shinn,  
D. C. Sturdevant, R. A. Lee, M. C.  
Co-honour, M. Sanford & Sons, Hancock  
and Clark and others. Property valued at  
\$200,000 was destroyed. A strong wind  
was blowing at the time. The flames  
soon spread to two adjoining blocks and  
the entire business portion and the en-  
tire business portion of the town was in  
danger. The Casey bank building is  
wrecked. The vault, however, is intact.  
The postoffice is badly damaged, but no  
mail was delayed. The block in which  
the fire started was almost completely de-  
stroyed. It was the handsomest in the  
town.

Lillian Russell Short of Cash.

New York, March 2.—For some time it  
has been whispered among theatrical people  
in this city that Lillian Russell has  
been and is financially embarrassed.

There seems to be some ground for this  
rumor, because of the fact that Miss Rus-  
sell last week sold her house in Seventy-  
sixth street, this city, to W. G. Reich,  
city editor of the New York Herald.

This house, which has been the abode of  
Miss Russell's eye, was sold for a sum  
approximating \$50,000.

Strayed or Stolen.

Saturday a bay mare pony, fourteen  
hands high, black mane and tail, weighs  
about 950 pounds, wore saddle and bridle  
at time of disappearance. A liberal re-  
ward will be paid for any information  
leading to her recovery. Jack Myers, 738  
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## THE INAUGURATION.

President-Elect McKinley and  
Party in Wash-  
ton.

## PLANS PERFECT FOR THE CHANGE.

One More Day of Grover, and Then Re-  
publicans Will be on Guard—  
Great Crowd Flock to the  
National Capital.

Washington, March 3.—The day before  
the inauguration opened moist and warm  
and by 10 o'clock a slow, steady drizzle  
set in. The downpour, however, is bailed  
by the local weatherwise as a harbinger of  
clear skies tomorrow. This prediction is  
reinforced by that of Weather Ghent  
Moore, who issued a special bulletin, say-  
ing the day would be clear, cool and  
bracing. The railroads continued through  
the night and day to pour in the crowds  
constantly. The rush of military compa-  
nies and civic organizations is fairly hu-  
mane, though the rush of incomers and  
goers is a constant succession of heavily  
loaded teams, bearing individuals,  
military bedding and clubs. The most  
noteworthy of these arrivals yesterday  
was a troop of the Ohio national guard,  
the 1st cavalry company of Cleveland,  
which will form the personal escort to  
Major McKinley. The first military or-  
ganization reaching here over the Balti-  
more and Ohio came on a special train  
just a head of the Hobart special. It bore  
the Newport, R. I., artillery company,  
72 men. With the militia were Garrett's  
regiment of Boston and the Cambridge  
martial training school band.

At the Pennsylvania and Baltimore and  
Ohio stations it was estimated that 40,  
000 had been brought to Washington, and  
the officials said their bookings were larg-  
er than on former occasions.

A national salute of twenty-one guns

will be fired when President Cleveland

leaves the White House in company with

Major McKinley for the capital and an

salute of twenty-one guns will an-

nounce that they have entered the capi-

tal.

The premier, Lord Salisbury, replying

for the government, said the policy which

was foreshadowed on Thursday was in

the main that which had been accepted by

the powers. Continuing his lordship ex-

plained that there was not, however, com-

plete unanimity in regard to the with-  
drawal of the Turkish troops, and he ad-

dressed that Crete would not be joined to

Greece. The premier thought the ques-

tion should be deferred for quiete and

more deliberate consideration. His lord-

ship then said that he sympathized with

the Cretans and desired to see an end put

to their oppression; but he continued,

it was the duty of the government to main-

tain the existing condition until they saw

the way to a safe, peaceful issue there-

from. In conclusion Lord Salisbury said:

"I can assure the house that we are re-

solved upon an effective autonomy for

Crete, whereby is meant the withdrawal

of the arbitrary power of Turkey."

In Honor of Gov. Tanner.

Washington, March 3.—A reception and

ball in honor of Governor Tanner and

those accompanying him to the inaugural

were held last night at Masonic hall.

The affair was arranged by the Illinois Re-

publican association, an organization of

citizens of that state connected with the

government service and living in Wash-  
ington. The Illinois congressional dele-

gation, Senators Culion and Palmer, and

their wives, also assisted in the entertain-  
ment.

The affair began with a reception at

which all the guests were introduced to

Governor and Mrs. Tanner. Afterward

there was a ball which lasted till a late

hour, and for which all the younger per-

**Around Home.**

Milwaukee.

Miss May Sheppard is on the sick list. Sam Portewalt transacted business in Cerro Gordo Monday.

Mrs. William Guilford was in Cerro Gordo Monday consulting a physician.

Mrs. Mary Tipton, of Windsor, is visiting her daughter, Mrs. H. F. Robertson.

Miss Jessie Burns of Belmont, is visiting friends in and around the city.

Monroe Landis will load his household effects and store in a car here Tuesday and bid farewell to Illinois. He will go to Burrows, Ind. Monroe says he "will go back yander" where he will engage in farming again and won't have to pay it all out for rent.

Mrs. T. O. Holcomb went to Oakley Saturday evening to visit her son over Sunday, and returned home Monday morning.

Prairie Hall.

Several farmers of this vicinity sold and delivered corn last week. Ben Fletcher has sold 9,000 bushels and will shell and deliver at Prairie Hall this week.

Rev. Z. T. Hatfield preached at Prairie Hall church Sunday. He has resumed his work on this circuit and will not resign as previously announced. We are very much pleased that Rev. Hatfield has so concluded.

Central examination was held at Prairie Hall school Thursday, Feb. 2. It was very well attended.

J. T. Belden, A. C. Scott and Ben Fletcher were Decatur visitors Thursday of last week.

The remarkable revival at Dalton City has closed with almost 100 conversions.

Mrs. Daisy Davidson is in Decatur visiting her mother, Mrs. King.

Hardon Belden, of Stanford, Ky., is visiting J. T. Belden and family.

J. B. Berry was in Decatur transacting business Saturday. He will grind corn at the residence of William Fletcher every Saturday.

James King has engaged for the summer term of school at Prairie Vale.

Will Davidson has gone to Hot Springs, Ark., for his health. He was accompanied by Delmar Belden. The latter will return soon to assist his father in farm work.

Lagrippe reigns supreme in our vicinity now. Almost everyone has a touch of it, but no severe cases are reported.

Elmer Trulock, who has been quite ill with pneumonia, is slowly recovering.

A Trip to Washington.

An entertainment was given last evening by the members of the Endeavor society at the First Presbyterian church which was largely attended. It was called a "Trip to Washington." The rooms were arranged to represent a depot and the interior of a railroad train and the imaginary trip to Washington was taken. As the guests entered the church they walked into a counterpart of a railroad waiting room with the usual signs on the wall and bought a coupon ticket good for a passage to Washington with coupons for a lunch at Zanesville, O., and dinner at Washington. This ticket entitled them to the next room where the chairs were arranged to represent the interior of a railway couch. The uniformed conductor was on hand to take up the tickets, the brakeman to call stations and the colored porter to keep the passengers in a good humor. The peanut boy, in the person of Bert Bivans, was on hand and sold popcorn and prize package candy. The passengers numbered the irrepressible bride and groom and the old maids as usual. At Zanesville the passengers were given a lunch of doughnuts and apples and when Washington was announced they were shown up stairs to the banquet rooms where sandwiches, coffee and cream was served. The attendance was large. The society cleared a neat sum of money.

## List of Patents.

Granted to Illinois inventors this week. Reported by C. A. Snow & Co., solicitors of American and foreign patents, opposite U. S. Patent Office, Washington, D. C.

T. Agnew, Evanston, horse hitching device; E. Cook, Kempton, fire kindler; J. C. Cromwell, Joliet, machine for making spikes; A. D. Elliott, Viola, sliding curtain; L. Gutmann, Peoria, electric transformer; M. T. Hurley, Peoria, portable drill for railway rails; F. Kern Mattoon, garment supporter; A. Lindgren, Moline, seedling machine; H. P. Lutton, St. Charles, grinding machine; H. B. Pitner, Aurora, means for making plated work in upholstering; W. F. Stellner, Danville, cane or umbrella holder.

## The Death Record.

Fanny B. Edney, wife of J. B. Edney died at 10 o'clock p.m., March 2, at her home at 1337 North Calhoun street, after a long illness from lung trouble. She was 18 years and 9 months old. She was a daughter of L. M. Lowe. She was married June 23, 1886. She leaves a husband, two stepchildren, her father, three brothers and three sisters. She was a member of Grace M. E. church in this city.

James Edward Chapman died at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis E. E. Ernest, 309 East Jefferson street, March 2, aged 91 years, 7 months and 26 days. He has been an invalid from sero-ula since he was 6 years old.

## Marvelous Remedy.

From a letter written by Rev. J. Gun-derman, of Diamond Lake, Mich., we are permitted to make this extract: "I have no hesitation in recommending Dr. King's New Discovery, as the results were almost marvelous in the case of my wife. While I was pastor of the Baptist church at Rives Junction, she was brought down with Pneumonia succeeding the Grippe. Terrible paroxysms of coughing would last hours with little interruption, and it seemed as if she could not survive them. A friend recommended Dr. King's New Discovery; it was quick in its work and highly satisfactory in re-sults." At West's drug store.

## The Outlook for Corn.

An exchange says: Prices are on the lowest level known in years for coarse grains, and therefore the chances for loss in value are greatly reduced. In May, 1896, many dealers paid 50 cents freely for corn at their stations, and had that confidence in it that they were ready to go to sleep on it, notwithstanding the suggestion that 50-cent corn had hurt more men than it had helped. Some of the same men now have great fright if they carry unsold over night one car load of 16-cent corn. The 50-cent corn ultimately shrank 35 cents per bushel in value. Well, the 15-cent corn can hardly do that—can it?

Did one ever know anybody to lose money on 15-cent corn in Illinois, or at a corresponding price in other states?

That of what an important fact this is!

Following the two big crops of 1879 and 1880, corn declined to 35¢ cents in February, 1881, but before that year was out it sold in Chicago at 75¢ cents in October.

Following the next two very large corn crops in 1888 and 1889, corn sold in February, 1890, at 27½ cents, but before that year as cut corn sold in Chicago at 58¢ cents in November.

In neither case was there a "squeeze" or "corner." These advances came chiefly because, while large corn crops usually come in pairs or couples, the next crop following has been a short one, and therefore the price advanced.

Did one ever know of three large consecutive corn crops? There is no record of such conditions. If the experience of the past is worth anything, why may not 1897, under precisely the same antecedent conditions, measurably repeat the history of 1881 and 1890, as to advancing values later on?

## Silver Anniversary.

The silver anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. William Dick was celebrated last evening

## HOW THE WORLD IS FED.

Freighting as an Aid to the Preservation of Food.

The extensive shipments of frozen poultry recently made from New York to Europe suggest the vastness of the scale on which the improved arrangements for feeding the world are now carried out. When America was discovered buyers in the largest European produce markets counted by the dozen at wholesale and had minds habituated to the "great gross" as the largest measure of numerical quantity. Now we are obliged to count our eggs and chickens not merely by the gross but by the million dozen. Last year England actually consumed 133,000,000 dozen eggs, paying \$20,000,000 for them. Ten million of them came from America.

In 1896 England imported 670,000 hundredweight of frozen beef from Australia, and over three times that amount from the United States. A market in London or in New York will often show within the space of 100 feet products from every part of the world, the shipment and preservation of which over thousands of miles of land and water have been made possible by the modern process of "chilling."

Although the horrors of plague and famine in India, existing while we have food products unused in this country, show that the machinery of distribution is still very imperfect, it is better now than it ever has been in history.

The refrigerators invented during the last ten years have practically revolutionized distribution, and in doing so have confirmed the supremacy of the United States as the world's greatest provider. Everyone knows that we raise grain by the billion bushels, but it is only when we begin to export eggs and poultry by the million dozen and the thousand tons, and the humble hen promises to bring in more money from abroad than the haughty steel industry, that we begin to realize the possibilities of our greatness.—N. Y. World.

## The New Coachman.

This is the sort of an interview which may be expected when motor carriages come into general use:

"You advertised for a coachman, sir?" said the applicant.

"I did," replied the merchant. "Do you want the place?"

"Yes, sir."

"Have you had any experience?"

"I have been in the business all my life."

"You are used to handling gasoline, then?"

"Yes, sir."

"And you are well up in electricity?"

"Thoroughly."

"Good! Of course you are a mechanist also!"

"Certainly."

"Then I presume you have an engineer's certificate?"

"Of course."

"Very well. You may go round to the outhouse and get the motor-cycle ready. My wife tells me she wishes to do a little shopping."—Toledo Blade.

## The Queen Orders Mustaches.

The order requiring mustaches on the queen's officers runs thus: "A report having been received in the department to the effect that it is getting the fashion in some regiments for young officers to shave the upper lip, the secretary of state for war requests that you will be so good as to take such steps as you may think necessary to insure the provisions of queen's regulations being adhered to"—Chicago Tribune.

## Attention, Wheelmen.

Would you think of taking a fine watch needing repairing or cleaning to a watchmaker with only two or three years' experience? Of course you would not, too much risk. Now it will pay you to use the same care with your bicycle. We have in charge of our repair shop a man who is a thorough mechanic, and has had sixteen years' experience in bicycle building and repairing. He built bicycles before the day of automatic machinery for such work, and is therefore familiar with every detail of their construction. Bring your wheel to us for careful and proper repairing, enameling, etc. All work guaranteed. H. Mueller Gun Co.—1d

## A Pint and White Tea.

Despite the inclemency of the weather last night the attendance at the pink and white tea given by the seventh division of the Ladies' Aid society of the Christian Edward street church at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Riggan on North Edward street, was largely attended. All were cordially received and handsomely entertained. The decorations were quite pretty, pink and white flowers and ribbons being tastefully arranged. The luncheon consisted of pink and white ice cream, pink and white cake cream puffs and coffee. Those who waited on the tables and received the guests were Misses Nettie Pritchett, Gorrie Chamberlain, Nettie Moore, Maggie Landis and Mrs. J. C. Hane, Mrs. A. L. Riggan, Mrs. Landis and Mrs. J. C. Riggan.

The Kankakee river is swollen, which gives opportunity to experiment with the current and settle the dispute as to whether Dennis F. Reardon's body could have lodged in the willows at the foot of Third avenue, Kankakee, if it had floated over the dam. People have set bits of driftwood floating and have seen them drift to the same place that Reardon's body was found.

Pontiac is to have an anti-horse thief association, a branch of the one already existing at Fairbury. There have been a number of horses stolen near Pontiac recently, which seems to render such action advisable.

In the village of Arcola they recently had an entertainment for the benefit of the poor, where the gross receipts were \$70 and the net receipts only \$2.65.

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10 Patterns of Choice Bleached Table Linen at.....	50c yd
63-inch Bleached Table Linen at.....	58c yd
72-inch Heavy Cream Damask, choice patterns, at.....	58c yd
70-inch Bleached Damask Linen, Napkins to match.....	75c yd
100 dozen Extra Value All Linen Huck Towels.....	12½c and 15c each
50 dozen All Linen Twill Kitchen Towels at.....	10c each
50 Choice Bleached All Linen Table Napkins.....	\$1.25 doz
Unbleached Sheetings, 2½ yards wide, at.....	10c yd
Unbleached Sheetings, 2½ yds. wide, at.....	12½c yd
Extra Fine Sheetings, unbleached, 2½ yds. wide, at.....	15c yd
Bleached Sheetings, 2½ yds. wide, at.....	15c yd
Extra Fine Bleached Sheetings, 2½ yds. wide, at.....	18c yd
Pillow Cases, bleached, 42x36 inch, at.....	10c each
Pillow Cases, bleached, 42x36 inch, extra quality, at.....	12½c each
Pillow Cases, bleached and hemstitched, 45x36 inch, at.....	15c each
Sheets ready made, bleached, 2½ yds. wide, at.....	48c each
Sheets ready made, bleached, 2½ yds. wide, at.....	53c each

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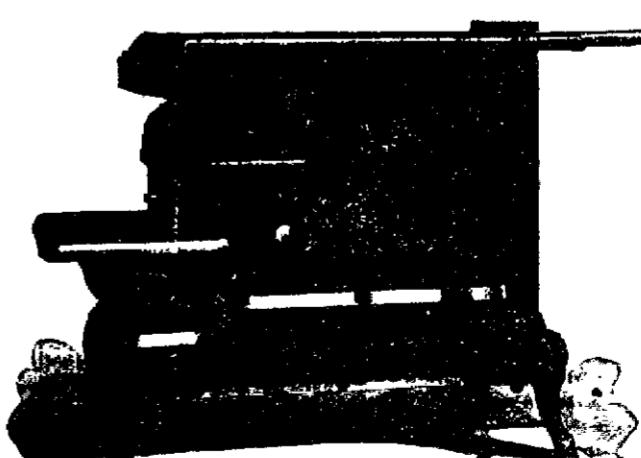
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DAVID T. HOLMAN, Administrator.

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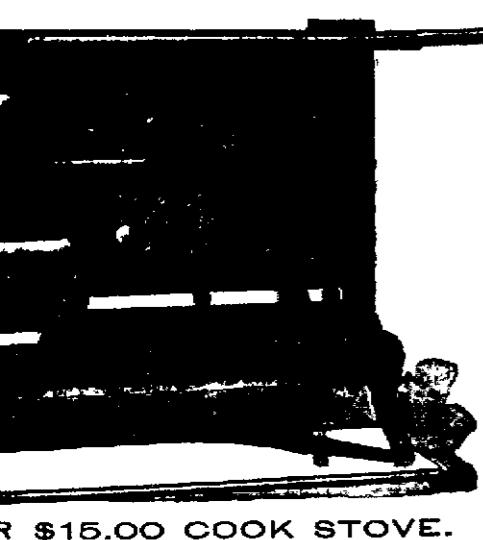
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\$7.00 and \$8.00 Suits, water damaged, at	59 Boys' Ulsters, ages 6 to 19 years, at HALF PRICE.
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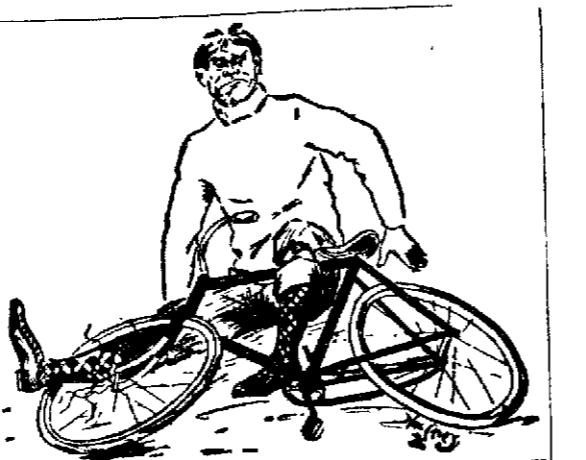
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### LOCAL NEWS.

Ice cream soda at Irwin's.  
George and Bert Weaver have opened a Fair store at Pana.

Chocolate ice cream soda at Irwin's.  
The Grand Opera House cigars made by Johnny Weiland are the best in town.

After tomorrow at noon it will be "Good-bye Grover, hail McKinley."

Tender roast beef with brown gravy served at noon daily at Singleton's restaurant.—Oct. 21st!

Rev. W. F. Black, the noted Christian minister, is reported dangerously ill in Chicago.

Coca cola at Irwin's fountain.

The work of giving Rockford a fine system of waterworks has been started.

Stuart Robson in "The Jackline" to-morrow night at the Grand.

W. C. Johns has been elected president of the Decatur Whist club. Seymour Campbell is secretary.

John Powell is the chef and Al Conn and James Horton the counter and table attendants at H. S. Edwards' new restaurant.

J. M. Hughes & Co. at Durfee & Bros.' old stand have a choice stock of fresh garden and flower seeds. Give them a call.

The members of Pastor Hall's church have inaugurated a movement to raise \$75,000 for the erection of a new Christian tabernacle.

Found on the Railway Track.

Julie Strother, a shoemaker, who has a family, was found last night at nine o'clock by Special Officer McClure of the Wabash, lying on the railway track near the Jasper street crossing. It looked like a case of attempted suicide, and Strother was given a ride to the police headquarters. Strother admitted that he was tired of life and declared that his family caused all the trouble. He was placed in the county jail. Strother is no stranger to the police. He has frequently been placed under arrest.

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### THE LENTON SEASON.

It began To-day with Ash Wednesday—Comments on the 40 Days' Fast.

This is Ash Wednesday, and with all the paraphernalia of bell, book and candle, the church's forty days of devotion is ushered in. It is in commemoration, says an exchange, of those awful forty days, now almost 1900 years ago, the fasting and prayer and passion in the Gothicemanse garden, that the Lenten celebration has been kept from year to year. Doubtless it has changed its form as the church grew older, but, through melting forms and falling superstitions, the same—an anniversary of that most trying and difficult month in all the brief and troubled life of the Savior—when he struggled with His human nature and parted with all His dreams of earthly greatness. There are stories of great temptations that came to Him in His weakness—temptations that come to others in their weakness—to those, unfortunately who are not sustained by divine power. The chroniclers tell how He overcame them all and emerged triumphant, even in apparent defeat, the whole ending with that tragic scene of betrayal.

In the early days of the Christian church the apostles and disciples of the risen Lord kept the lenten fast as in a family the anniversaries of the death of loved ones are kept. One couldn't be merry on the return of a date when some loved life went out. And so, simply and naturally, the lenten celebration began. Gradually it spread into custom and tradition—so that there is a whole code of lenten rules, which good church men, and especially good church women, live up to.

Lent was established as one of the great divisions of the church year long before Luther pulled the edicts from the church door. The Episcopalian church never dreamed of stripping the lenten ceremonial from its regime, though the other protestant churches, as they branched off from time to time, dropped the lenten idea and passed over Ash Wednesday without a commemorative rod. But they are few, even in the plainest and most protestant pulpits, where there is not mention from time to time of the lenten season, and in even the barest of them the pulpits bloom with flowers on Easter Day, and one would think from the peons of praise that the congregation had been fasting and praying on bended knees during the whole of the 40 days and 40 nights. Though all come in for the joyful part, a few only share the sadness. Feasts are for the many, fasts for the few.

But two great churches of Christendom are enough to keep a season of prayer and penance alive. From March 3, until Easter dawns on April 18—for it is a late Easter this year—there will be daily service in the Catholic churches. After the early lenten days the fasts and anniversaries increase in number and importance. On almost every day there is something to be done in memory of the One who lived in a cot here, but went to prepare mansions in heavens for others.

Every Friday in all the year is a fast day for the Roman Catholic church. Every Friday in Lent is a fast day for Episcopalians and most of them live up to it faithfully.

The members of these two great churches keep the forty days so religiously that social events simmer down to the quietest apology for entertainment during these days. The social season ends with Mardi Gras, the evening of March 3, and after that there is nothing until Easter Monday, the most fashionable day for weddings in all the year.

This season, above all others, is the forty days of piety, happily sinless, when one makes up for the peccadilloes or the guilt of all the year. It is the time for the balancing of accounts.

New Deal at Bloomington.  
Bulletin: The new system on the street car lines was inaugurated this morning and worked smoothly. Ten men go on duty at 6:30 a.m. and work until noon. They are relieved by ten men who work until 6 p.m. The first set then go on duty until 11 p.m. Next week the afternoon men will work the morning and evening trips, and the others the afternoon. This arrangement will be alternated each week. The employees are pleased with the new scheme owing to the fewer hours and the long rest between trips.

Epworth League Anniversary.  
At the Mt. Zion M. E. church Sunday night the Epworth League celebrated their first anniversary. Quite an interesting program was rendered; although the audience was small, it was quite an appreciative one. A number were present from Long Creek and Prairie Hall. At the close of the exercises Rev. Knight from Elwin gave a short address.

Entertained at Cards.

Yesterday afternoon Mrs. W. J. Quinlan entertained about forty lady friends at her home on West William street. The affair was a six hand euchre party. The guests passed the afternoon playing cards and at six o'clock supper was served. Mrs. Quinlan was assisted by Mrs. Bernard Bradley.

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### At The Grand.

Famous Preacher on "The Jackline". Chicago, Ill., Feb. 15.—To the Editor: Stopping over in Chicago on a western lecture tour I heard Stuart Robson in "The Jackline" Saturday. I want to give my most hearty endorsement to this comedy. Such plays as this and Mr. Herne's "Shore Acres" will lift the stage in dignity and power and make this old world of ours brighter and more beautiful. Its pathos touches the deepest sources of the soul. Its humor is sweet and pure. It breathes the breath of nature. Mr. Robson's impersonation of the character is the perfection of the highest art. It is simple and powerful. It is fresh as the morning air of the mountains of North Carolina. "Such plays ought to have no rivals today on the American stage. It holds the mirror up to our own life. We see it in beauty, its joy, its pathos, its tragedy. I want every member of my church to go and see every play of that kind that is produced. It is time the Protestant conscience in America should begin to bear a constructive criticism on the drama. The stage still stinks for the lack of it. Our present attitude of silence or hostility is sheer stupidity. It is fifty years out of date. It would do every preacher in America good to hear Robson say in his inimitable way while he holds those two roosters lovingly under his arms: "I believe in the Book from cover to cover, but how any preacher can eat a game rooster is beyond me." Sincerely, Thomas Dixon, Jr.

Mr. Robson and his excellent company will present "The Jackline" here at the Grand opera house next Thursday evening, March 4. Buy a 50 cent copy of "The Jackline" for 10 cents at J. W. Diller's book sale, corner North Main and Prairie streets.

### MESMERIZED.

Bad Habits Make a Man Act Like He Was Under a Spell.

A man will try to convince himself by arguments so poorly founded that if they were presented by another they would be treated with contempt. As an instance: He may be allying from the heavy poison of tobacco, or the lighter poison of coffee, the weakened condition will show somewhere in the body; eyes, head, stomach, heart, liver, bowels or somewhere. His doctor tells him to stop the habit, but each day the thought comes, "O, coffee and tobacco don't hurt me, it's my stomach that is at fault; I'll have it cured and everything will be all right;" so he keeps on with his habits, and goes to dragging a poor old stomach that would furnish enough vitality to run it, but he poisons his nervous system and robs the members of strength to carry on their work. When a man wakes up to what he is doing, exchanging his health and chance to succeed in this world, for a paltry habit or two, he quite them and follows nature's wise laws.

It is easy to give up coffee if one can have Postum, the Food Coffee, which is a fac-simile in looks of fine Mocha coffee. In taste it retains a like pungency with coffee, but has a distinct flavor of its own. It is made entirely of pure grains, and has the ability to make red blood quickly. Tobacco, morphine, whiskey, strychnine and coffee each contain much the same poisonous alkaloids, but vary in strength.

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## WEATHER PROBABILITIES.

Chicago, March 3.—Fair tonight and  
Thursday; warmer Thursday; fresh  
northwest winds becoming variable  
Thursday.

## Foresight and Prosperity.

St. Louis Globe-Democrat: It may be taken for granted that all citizens, except a few politicians who place party above every other consideration, are looking forward hopefully for better times. But lasting prosperity does not come by accident. Before it can arrive the basis for it must be laid by appropriate legislation, and successive steps, wisely taken, must lead up to it. Theorists can not be trusted to bring it about, nor haphazard remedies be risked when the result may be fresh complications. A great political mistake was made in 1892. It is needless to tell the story anew, or recite all the evils that have followed in its train. They are so many and so serious that the chance of future blunders of the same kind is lessened, and this may be an item of some importance on the credit side.

It is through the steady application of an intelligent and prudent foresight that prosperity will return to the country, and happily it has been exerted already to some purpose. The election of last year was a look ahead by the people for four years. They selected a party and a set of principles to represent their views of the outlook, and gave it the emphasis of a large majority. The change in policies they decreed is about to take place under circumstances indicating that it can be accomplished without serious delay. As an element of prosperity the history and prestige of the Republican party are of great importance. It has carried the country through the most serious crises and shown the highest skill in handling the finances of the government. It has received the treasury empty, with credit low, and handed it back again full to overflowing, with credit at the highest point. Its tariffs have strengthened the nation industrially as well as financially. Any of them has been infinitely better than the chaotic medley of special protection and free trade which now burdens the energies of the people and adds to a deficit for which there is no excuse.

A far more settled feeling prevails throughout the United States now than during the preceding years. The gold reserve has been replenished, and the fears of the people in regard to values so quieted that they have no desire to exchange other forms of money for gold. Business men are able to make estimates for new ventures with the assurance that the dollar will not be bisected, nor go down with a run to Populist paper issues. The result of the election of 1896 adds to the faith that the people are equal to sudden political emergencies, and duly cautious about approaching false lights set by wreckers. Voters were not caught by the lure of cheap money for everybody, and to decide one question right is a good start toward settling the next in the same manner. Prevailing conditions are such that prosperity is already on the road, and judicious measures with the earnest support of good citizens, will bring it in before the present year runs its course.

Two and a half years of the operation of the Wilson tariff bill ended February 28 and the following is given as substantially the result: Going into effect August 28, 1894, the close of the month of February, 1897, gives to the treasury and the public thirty months of its works. The story of those thirty months, told in a single line, is a deficit of \$130,000,000, or an average of shortage of \$144,000 per day. President McKinley will find on assuming the duties of his office, a surplus of a little more than \$100,000,000 in excess of the gold reserve, but this has been obtained by the sale of bonds, which brought into the treasury \$298,454,386. The month of February was no exception to the general rule. The deficiency for this month is, in round numbers, \$500,000, bringing the total deficiency for the two and a half years of the Wilson law above \$130,000,000.

Our readers who have looked with some skepticism upon the remote accounts of a new invention which was to make dry corn stalks nearly as valuable as timothy hay, will be pleased to know that a factory is actually established at Rockford which is offering to pay three dollars a ton for dry stalks. The manager complains that farmers are slow about bringing them in. No wonder. Nobody can afford to go into a corn field and gather and bind corn stalks and haul them several miles for three dollars a ton. Still, if the demand turns out to be permanent, no doubt by next year some method of saving the stalks and delivering them—if not for three dollars, for some reasonable sum—will be devised.

## BLISS IN THE CABINET.

He May Be Given the Interior Portfolio—Notice of Acceptance.

Washington, March 3.—Cornelius N.

Bliss of New York, has accepted a portfolio in the cabinet. He will probably be secretary of the interior.

Though Mr. Bliss is willing to take the secretaryship of the interior his friends strongly desire that he become secretary of the navy. This, however, would compel a change in the cabinet slate and compels the shifting of Long of Massachusetts.

Cornelius Bliss, who accepted the portfolio in McKinley's cabinet, was born at Fall River, Mass., sixty years ago. At 20 he entered his father's commission house at New Orleans. He went into business in Boston in 1848 as a partner in Wright & Co., and opened a branch store in New York City which under his management soon became the big end of the business. Today Bliss, Fabian & Co., are recognized as one of the leading dry goods firms. He is a director in many financial institutions. He was always interested in politics, but never held a political office. He was president of the protective tariff league a long time and twice chairman of the Republican state convention, and treasurer of the national committee for some time. He declined the nomination for governor in 1885 and to avoid a similar nomination in 1891 went to Europe. He was chairman of the business men's committee which tried to nominate Arthur in 1884.

Although not in complete harmony with his party Mr. Bliss financed the Republican national committee in the last two presidential campaigns. He accepted the chairmanship of the committee at being told that the campaign closed last year at the urgent solicitation of McKinley and Hanna. He made a rule that no obligation should be incurred until the money was in hand to meet it. This was rigidly adhered to. At the close of each day checks were mailed for every bill and statement. The politicians therefore were surprised when election night came around at being told that the campaign closed with a surplus in the treasury.

Long and Bliss.

Boston, March 3.—A Washington official says Mr. McKinley has telegraphed Governor Long as follows: "Your appointment stands as secretary of the navy." Mr. Bliss accepts the secretaryship of the interior with the understanding that he shall not hold it longer than six months and for a less time if the president shall find a substitute.

## SPECIAL SESSION OF CONGRESS.

It Will Meet on March 15 to Make Early Revision of the Tariff.

Washington, March 3.—The Associated Press is able to make the definite though unofficial announcement that congress will be convened in special session almost immediately after Mr. McKinley's assumption of office, and that the date named will be March 15. The new president will send a message to congress, calling attention to the state of the government's revenue, and urging speedy enactment of general revision of the tariff.

## Terra Haute Horse Sale.

Terra Haute, Ind., March 3.—At the Fleming combination horse sale, Jersey Wilkes, B. H., 16 years old, by George Wilkes, dam Lady Patchen, brought \$1975; Bay Mare, by Guy Wilkes, dam Eva, by Sulton, was sold to Mike Bowerman, Lexington, Ky., for \$795. A number of sales were made ranging in price from \$300 to \$700.

## Dr. Zeller Would Go to Switzerland.

Pearl, Ill., March 3.—Dr. George A.

Keller, chairman of the Republican county central committee, has announced himself a candidate for the position of consul to Switzerland under President-elect McKinley. Dr. Zeller was last year a candidate for the Republican nomination for state treasurer.

## A Liquor Case.

The case of the people vs Boley and Brickle, saloonkeepers, was on trial in the county court this afternoon. The saloon men are charged with selling liquor to minors. Attorneys Hutchinson and Flinn appeared for the defendants and Attorney A. H. Mills prosecuted the case.

## Sales of Real Estate.

Hiram B. Morse, trustee to George W. Peterson, the west half of the southeast quarter of 8, section 8 and all that part of the northeast quarter of section 17, lying north and west of the Sangamon river except 7 acres; all being 16, 4 east, containing 218 acres; \$4770.

William H. Starr to William H. Penhalligan, lot 8 in block 3 in Riverside place, \$650.

## Dog Show.

St. Louis, March 3.—The second annual bench show of the St. Louis Kennel club opened today. Some of the finest dogs in the country are entered.

The members of the Decatur Guards

will give a dance at the armory Friday night. Grea Keefe, Sam May, George Young and Jerry Nicholson will be the committee in charge.

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## MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Ill., March 3, 1897.  
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resides in Chicago, New York, Minneapolis  
and St. Louis for the following market quo-  
tations:

	Open- ing	High- est	Low- est	Closing
Wheat—				
May.....	75 1/2	76 1/2	74 1/2	75
June.....	72 1/2	73 1/2	72	72 1/2
Corn—				
May.....	24 1/2	24 1/2	24	22 1/2
July.....	23 1/2	23 1/2	23	22 1/2
Oats—				
May.....	17 1/2	17 1/2	17	17
July.....	18 1/2	18 1/2	18	18
Pork—				
May.....	8 65	8 17 1/2	8 05	8 15
March.....	8 07	8 18	8 05	8 12 1/2
Beef—				
May.....	4 20	4 25	4 20	4 25

May wheat: put 74 1/2; calls 75 1/2; curb

74 1/2. TO-DAY'S BROWNS—OAR LOAF.

Wheat—21. Estimated, 21. Year ago, 74.

Corn—29. Estimated, 29; a year ago, 67.

Oats—15. Estimated, 15; a year ago, 42.

## ESTIMATES FOR TO-MORROW.

Wheat 18; Corn, 24; oats, 24.

Bird receipts 35,000; estimated, 39,000. Mar-

ket to higher.

Light, \$3,600-\$3,80; Mixed, \$3,650-\$3,72;

Heavy \$3,550-\$3,67; Rough \$3,400-\$3,50.

Estimated for to-morrow, 36,000.

Cattle receipts, 1,000. Market 10 to 15 higher.

## CATTLE QUOTATIONS.

PEORIA, Ill., March 3.—Oar, steady, new, No. 2,

white, 20c; oar, quiet, No. 2, white, 17 1/2c; 18 1/2c;

BY NOMINAL.

NEW YORK MARKET.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Wheat, 50c; Corn, May, 29 1/2c; oats, May, 21 1/2c.

NEW YORK, March 3.—Butter, steady, creamy,

10c/lb.; Eggs, weak, 12c/lb;c.

ST. LOUIS MARKET.

ST. LOUIS, March 3.—Wheat, cash, 81c; May,

82 1/2c; Corn, cash 29 1/2c; May, 21 1/2c; Oats, cash

17c; May, 17 1/2c.

## MAY CHOOSE THE ROUTE.

An Interesting Decision by the Interstate

Commission.

Washington, March 3.—The interstate

commerce commission has handed down a

decision affecting the responsibility of

carriers for damages resulting from fail-

ure to obey a shipper's instructions. The

commission rules that a shipper is entitled

to have his merchandise carried over the

route which he signified, and that a car-

rier's failure to receive and forward ac-

cordingly, is unlawful discrimination,

under the act to regulate commerce, for

which the complainant should have repre-

sation to the amount of damages shown.

## THE LAW UPHELD.

Missouri Statute Which Bans Train Robbers Is Constitutional.

Kansas City, Mo., March 3.—Judge

Wofford of the criminal court, has de-  
cided in a lengthy opinion, that the law fix-  
ing the death penalty for train robbing  
was constitutional. The decision was in  
the case of the Blue Cut train robbers,

Kennedy, Bolen and Flynn, who fled a  
demur to the indictment.

After the trial, if the men are con-  
victed, they will appeal to the supreme court  
as a further test of the law.

## Life Insurance Companies Barred Out.

Topeka, Kan., March 3.—State Super-

intendent of Insurance McNeil has ad-

dressed letters to the Connecticut Mutual

Life and New York Life Insurance com-

panies, refusing to issue license to them  
to do business in the state for the ensuing

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DECATUR, ILL.**TO THE SOUTH.**

BOLEN &amp; LANNING, Real Estate Dealers have another of their annual EXCURSIONS to TEXAS, TUESDAY, MARCH 26, where they are selling so much of their choice cheap lands near Houston and Galveston. These lands are smooth, level prairie, most of them have a few trees, and can sell you cheaper than any one and can take exchange in some of them. Write us for circulars. We also do a general exchange of business; have land to exchange for your goods good exchange for land. In fact can exchange almost any kind of a trade. Especially notice their circulars on the country across the bayou from Galveston. Write us or call and see us in Millikan bank building, Decatur, Ill.

BOLEN &amp; LANNING.

Having always felt an interest in animal life, I made the best of a recent opportunity to learn what I could about an animal which is, so far as I have been able to ascertain, unknown to the authors of zoological works—at least by the name under which the animal is known where I found it. The quadruped of which I write is found on certain portions of the staked plains of western Texas and is known there as the swift, a name which but feebly expresses the running qualities of the animal. The name swift is also applied to certain birds and lizards, but it is also the only name by which this fleet-footed animal of the plains is known.

Any description of the swift must

from the animal's nature be incomplete,

for a swift is always on the move when

a human being comes within range of

his vision, and it is claimed by the peo-

ple who live on the plains that a swift

has never yet been captured. This

claim may be untrue, but as a circum-

stance going to show the wild nature of

the animal I saw only two of them dur-

ing a four months' stay on the plains,

in a locality where they were said to be

rather numerous.

When I was first told about the swift

I was inclined to consider it a myth.

I said to the old plainsman who was

telling me a seemingly miraculous story

about its power to get over ground:

"Does the swift have a hole in the

ground like the other prairie animals,

where he may hide from pursuers?"

"Holy smoke!" ejaculated the old

man, "swifl would not give his four

legs for the Mammoth cave when it

comes to getting away from any fool

who has little enough sense to chase him!"

"The swift must be a pretty good run-

ner," I remarked.

"Runner!" sneered the old man.

"Why, young feller, the swift is the

only varmint on these plains that can run

off and leave a rifle ball!"

I saw at once that the old fellow had

great faith in the swift's powers of loco-

motion, but it was not until I saw one

splitting the atmosphere across the

plains, rapidly putting distance be-

between himself and me that I faded

away on the horizon of the level prai-

re, that I fully realized the force of

the old man's remarks. I had seen an

antelope pursued by a pack of hungry

wolves and I had witnessed some pret-

ty good horse races, but that swift's

burst of speed against time was the

greatest run I ever beheld. When the

cowboys told me that the fastest horse

on foot could not catch the swift I

readily believed them.

This phenomenal flier of the plains

resembles the fox somewhat, but is

taller and longer than Reynard, having

the same bushy tail. The thing that

first comes into one's mind at sight of

a swift is the fact that the animal is

constructed especially for the purpose

of running, and that nothing has been

omitted from its make-up that would

enhance its ability to cover distance.

The second swift I saw, as well as the

first, was running when I first saw him,

and engaged in the same business when

I last beheld him.

Thousands of cowboys and ranchmen

on the plains will bear testimony to the

fact that the swift can outrun the

fleetest horse. I saw a young Kentuckian

who had chased a swift on a

thoroughbred from the bluegrass coun-

try. He said of the chase:

"When I started I thought I was

chasing a young wolf, but before the

chase ended I concluded that I was on

the track of a streak of lightning that

had taken on the form of a wolf to test

the speed of my horse."

"Did you catch the swift?" I asked.

"I did not stay within sight of it for

more than three minutes," was the re-

ply.—Frank Andrews, in St. Louis

Globe-Democrat.

BRAVE CHILDREN.

Remarkable Exhibition of Courage

in a Small Boy.

An interesting story of childlike hero-

ism is related by Mr. Spearman, attor-

ney for the department of justice at

Washington. He has been taking testi-

mony concerning some Indian depredation

claims.

In taking such testimony, he says,

I frequently hear interesting stories

concerning early frontier life. I re-

member one case in particular—one of

the most remarkable exhibitions of

courage in an eight-year-old boy that I

have ever heard of. It occurred near

the town of Beaver, in Utah.

A ranch was attacked by Indians, and

a man who was visiting the ranchman

was killed, and for awhile it seemed as

if the whole party, wife and children,

would fall a prey to the savages. The

house was surrounded by the Indians,

and the people within defended them-

selves as best they could; but the ran-

chman, watching his opportunity, lowered

his little boy and his daughter, who was

but 12 years of age, from the back win-

dow and told them to try and make

their way to the canyon and follow it

down to Beaver, where they could ob-

tain help.

The children succeeded in reaching

the canyon unobserved, and with pres-

ence of mind and bravery which I think

is remarkable for a child of that age, the

boy told his sister to follow one side

of the canyon and he would follow the

other, so that in case the Indians should

find one of them the other might not be

observed.

The children got safely to Beaver,

where a party was organized which

hastened to the rescue of the besieged.

At the beginning of the siege the In-

dians had heard the children in the

house, and, missing their voices, the

alert savages discovered that they had

been gone and endeavored to overtake them;

but being unsuccessful and knowing that

help would soon arrive, they withdrew

before the rescuers could reach the

ranch.—Denver Republican.

There are apple trees in England

that are known to have been in exist-

ence 300 years ago.

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900 yds fine Black Henrietta, price \$1.25, for this special sale.....	75c
1800 yds Mohair Brilliantine in light colors, price 40c a yard, for this special sale, 17c	
1800 yds all wool Yankee Frocking Cloth, suitable for suit or pants, would be cheap at 65c, for this special sale.....	43c
1500 yds Panta Cloths, price 50c, for this special sale.....	25c
2500 yds. of Worsted Plaids for Dresses at 4½c a yd.	
3500 " Indigo Blue Calico, very best, at 4½c a yd.	
1800 " Henrietta Cashmere, all colors, 36 inches wide, at 16c yd.	
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 48c.	
5 dozen Ladies' Wrappers at 65c.	

#### Clothing Department.

3 dozen Men's Black Cheviot Suits, price \$8.00—for this sale.....	3.75
3 dozen Men's Fancy All Wool Suits, price \$11.00—for this sale.....	6.98
6 dozen Men's All Wool Pants, all colors, in heavy weight, price \$2.75—for this sale.....	1.98
4 dozen Heavy Cottonade Pants, price \$1.00—for this sale.....	58c
4 dozen Men's fine Outing Flannel Nightgowns, price \$1.50—for this sale.....	75c
5 dozen Men's Muslin Gowns, fancy bosom and cuffs, for this sale.....	40c
25 dozen Men's Outing Flannel Overshirts, full size, at.....	25c

#### Shoe Department.

We just received a new line of Men's, Ladies' and Misses' Shoes, which we will sell for this sale at a Great Bargain.	
50 pairs Slippers, sizes 3 and 4 only, price 75c, to close out at.....	29c
36 pairs Boys' Dongola Button Shoe, price \$1.75 and \$2.00, for this sale.....	\$1.10
36 pairs Boys' Fine Calf Skin Shoe, razor toe, price \$1.50, for this sale.....	98c
36 pairs Child's Shoe at.....	39c
72 pairs Men's Fine Calf Skin Shoe, razor toe, at.....	72c
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**SIGHTS IN ARMENIA.**  
The Kurdish Residents and Their Big Dogs.

The paramount impression remaining on one's mind after having traveled in Armenia is that if you were to go over the same ground again to-morrow there would always be the charm of the unexpected to which to look forward. I am speaking of the time before the country was devastated by the Kurds. When an Englishman appeared upon the scene everyone—Turks, Kurds, Armenians, devi worshipers and so on—got ready to help him. I never saw such willingness to guide and direct a stranger in my life. But it seldom took a more practical form. Having done everything (in theory) that was necessary, the Turk or Kurd or devil worshiper went back to his hood and considered it done in fact.

And there remains in my mind to this day the sense of deep injury and vivid annoyance which I used to experience when, toward the end of a long ride, weary, travel-sore and hungry, I would pull up my apology for a mule and ask some stalwart mountaineer how far it was to the village where I intended to pass the night. He would blandly assure me that it was only an hour's journey and depart. At the end of an hour there would not be what I once heard an exasperated missionary describe as "a scintilla of a village in sight." Then I would meet another man. "Oh, yes, Effendi, you'll get there in three-quarters of an hour." The tired dogs and horses and mules would prick their ears and start on again, as if they, too, had heard the welcome words. Three-quarters of an hour later a downcast assemblage of men and animals would gaze over the plain in the fast-falling dusk, vainly looking for a village.

After this had been repeated some half a dozen times, however, just as we were sorrowfully gathering up our reins in our chilled fingers, preparing to push on with bitter hearts and empty bellies, 20 or 30 rough-haired, ferocious Kurd dogs would emerge from the gloom, circle around us and bite at our riding boots by way of welcome. These dogs belonged to the Kurds who had settled in villages and were enormous brutes. They usually wore huge collars, studded with nails, so that if a wolf flew at their throats he was received by a mouthful of sharp points and could not get a grip.

I once bought a magnificent Kurd dog for four shillings. He was so fierce that I dared not go near him. Kindness, I thought, would have its due effect on him in a few days, so I had a rope fastened to his collar and gave the other end of the rope to a mounted Zaptieh. The last thing I saw of the dog was a frightened horse and Zaptieh disappearing in the distance, and the animal fetching a compass for his native village with what Artemus Ward once describes as "a select assortment of trouser patterns" in his mouth.

These dogs are so intelligent that they seem to understand the slightest sign from their masters. I once saw my man buy a fowl for our evening meal from a Kurd and pay down the money. Then he asked for the fowl. "Oh, there it is, Effendi," said the Kurd, pointing to a limp mass of feathers standing on one leg just outside the hut; "all you have to do is to catch and kill it." My man, like Agag, "walked delicately" toward the fowl, and the limp bundle of feathers immediately "put out" in the direction of Sivas. My man went after it, sword in hand, with the fell intention of slicing off the fowl's head and bringing back its gory body in triumph. A big Kurd dog immediately started after my man, who gained rapidly upon the fowl. Just as he was about to slice off its head an ominous growl from the rear warned him that he must turn and defend himself. The fowl stopped, limply watched the struggle and gained her second wind. When the exasperated man had driven off the dog he again pursued the fowl, which seemed to remember an important engagement in the direction of Diarbekir. Again the fowl was nearly overtaken; again came an ominous growl, the gleam of magnificent teeth through the gloom, and again the fowl limply presided as umpire while the combat raged. When the dog was driven away the fowl started off in the direction of Samosun and my man returned to the hut with a piteous request for sticking plaster. I made my supper that evening off the aged and moldy heel of a Dutch cheese.—London Chronicle.

Constipation in its worst forms, dyspepsia, sick headache, biliousness and derangement of the liver are readily cured by DeWitt's Little Early Risers. These little pills never gripe. Small pill, safe pill, best pill. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

A lot was sold on the public square in Clinton last week for \$6750, probably the highest price ever paid in that city for a bare lot. There is an old building on the lot, but it is of no special value.

Lost—A dear little child who made home happy by its smiles. And to think, it might have been saved had the parents only kept in the house One Minute Cough Cure, the infallible remedy for croup. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

The business men of Clinton are agitating the subject of a rival light company, some of them claiming that light charges are excessive under the present regime.

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A little daughter, 16 months old, of Mr. and Mrs. Gleason Thorn, of Onarga, fell into a pail of water and died from the effects.

All the different forms of skin troubles, from chapped hands to eczema and indolent ulcers can be readily cured by DeWitt's Witch Hazel Salve, the great pile cure. A. J. Stoner & Son, Armstrong Bros. and N. L. Krone.

Mr. and Mrs. Foley, of Lincoln, are on the Azores islands, which they reached January 30.

Farmers near Monticello complain very much because rabbits are girdling their young fruit trees. Numbers of young orchards have suffered extensively from the depredations of the little pests.

In our great grandmother's day women did not have to submit to the examinations and medical treatment so uniformly insisted upon by present-day physicians. Perhaps they were naturally healthier—anyway, doctors did not insist on such things so much. That sort of treatment was not a "fad" as it is to-day. Many a woman goes on suffering tortures in silence because her natural modesty prevents her taking the step she knows will follow when she calls on a doctor. There is relief for these women and others. It is in Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. This is an absolutely certain remedy for all the weaknesses and diseases of woman's peculiar organs. It is the preparation of an eminent and successful specialist—a regularly graduated, experienced and skilled physician, who has for over thirty years made a specialty of diseases of women. This is the only medicine for women that emanates from such a source. It is sold by all good druggists, and its sales amount to more than the combined sales of all other preparations designed for the same purposes.

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### LOCAL NEWS.

Drink cherry phosphate at Irwin's. Denz, Tailor, 117 North Water St. Read Riley & Mann's Bargain Bulletin. Irwin's fountain is now open for the season.

Hot water bottles, all sizes, 75c each, at West's drug store.—19-df

Smoke the Little J., 5-cent cigar, made by Jacob Keek.

Read Riley & Mann's Bargain Bulletin.—d-886

Sparrow's fine chocolate for sale at the Opera House Drug store.

Smoke the Little J., a fine hand made, Sumatra wrapper—5 cent cigar.

Little Diana cigar; business men's ideal smoke; 5 for 10 cents; 100 for \$1.50. L. Chodat's News House.—14-df

Go to Henry's bakery for all kinds of bread, cakes, pies, etc.

Smoke the famous Leda, a fine 10 cent cigar, made by John Wiegand. March 25 df.

Take the Vandalia-Pennsylvania for Washington, D. C.; reduced rates for the inauguration.

Largest and finest stock of face powders in Decatur at West's drug store, all at cut prices.—19-df

The funeral of the late Edward Chapman will take place from the A. M. E. church on Thursday at 3 p. m.

Decatur Steam Bakery bread and McKinney's St. Louis bread at the Economy.—17-df

Pure gum camphor, prevents moths, lowest price ever made; 50c a pound. West's drug store.—19-df

It has been decided to give the opera "Pinafore" some time in the latter part of April for the benefit of the Woman's Relief Corps.

The members of the Woman's Foreign Missionary society will meet tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 at the parsonage of the First M. E. church on West Main street.

Buy your garden, flower and field seeds of Van Culp, the old reliable seedsmen; fresh stock and all varieties of garden seed in bulk. No. 223 North Main street. Durfee & Culp.—1-d&wtf

Greenberry Martin has finally consented to become a candidate once more for poundmaster. He had thought of retiring from public office, but he dislikes to go about without the star.

In the county court last evening Eugene Cussins, on trial for beating his wife, was found guilty on four counts by the jury, and fined \$20. He had no money and went back to jail.

The members of the Y. M. C. A. basket ball team will go to Springfield on March 17 to play a return game with the team which was here a short time ago. A game will be played this week at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium with the Mueller team.

The members of the Christian Endeavor society of the First Methodist church were entertained last evening by Miss Edith Starr at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joe Starr, in Riverside Place. There were about eighty young people present.

The Senior Endeavor Society of the First M. E. church will give a social in the lecture room of the church on Thursday evening, March 4th. The social is more especially for the new members who were taken into the society recently. A good program has been prepared and refreshments will be served.

The Siler-Hagan special attending the Corbett-Fitzsimmons fight will leave Chicago at 6 p.m., Saturday, March 18. Decatur people can join them at either St. Louis or Kansas City by leaving Decatur at 4 p. m. via Wabash railroad, same day.

Berthe can be reserved or any information had by applying to C. A. Pollock, P. T. A., Wabash railroad.—8-df

Class Entertainment.

The young ladies of Mrs. Foster's Sunday school class gave a surprise party last evening to their teacher at her home on North Monroe street. The party came at 6 o'clock in the afternoon and passed the evening, supper being served at 7 o'clock.

The guests included the following: Misses Emma and Mabel Travis, Nettie and Nellie Warren, Marie and Amelia Creston, Lizzie Neighbor, Battie Paxton, Lizzie Sampson, Villa Dickenson, Gertrude Mulatory, Lena and Pearl Huffaker, Elvie Long, Amy Hoey and Mrs. Travis and Bert Glazebrook.

Mackerel 5, 10 and 25 cents; everybody can have one. Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—8-df

Moving in a New Store.

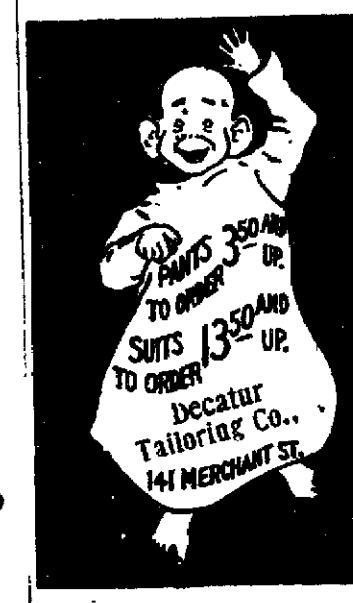
The Bushar store room on East Main street recently vacated by the Fair store, has been remodeled and George W Jones is moving in his stock of dry goods.

Need Distribution.

Now seed store complete stock, fresh garden, field and flower seeds. Leon & Morris, 138 East Wood street.—9-dw&t

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### PERSONAL MENTION.

W. R. Breslin went to Chicago last night.

J. W. Dill, of Marco, was in the city today.

Mrs. Lillie Cendell has returned from Bloomington.

Miss Jane Roby is visiting friends in Springfield.

Justice W. W. Peddecord, who has been ill for several weeks, is better.

Marshal Mason has gone to Washington to attend the inauguration.

Miss Madge Hayes is in Peoria visiting her brother, Harry Hayes, and family.

S. T. Weir, special state agent for the Connecticut Mutual Life Insurance company, is in the city.

Rev. Sophie Gibb, who conducted the funeral of the late Alfred Maxwell, is a guest at the residence of F. B. Tait.

Charles S. Hankins was at Peoria yesterday on a business trip. Two inches of snow fell there and the cutters were out with the jingling sleigh bells.

Coroner Bendure has gone to St. Joe, Mo., to visit his sister, Mrs. William Davis, who is ill. Mr. Davis is also quite sick.

Edward Judson, of Tacoma, Washington, who came to the city on account of the illness of his father, C. O. Judson, left yesterday for Chicago. He will visit in Decatur before returning to his county.

I. J. Davis, with his son, Leslie, and infant daughter, Ruth, will leave for Chicago to-morrow noon. The Davis home at Oak Park will be retained, and the motherless children will be with their father.

Louis White left this morning for Chicago to be with Attorney Hugh Cress who is ill in that city. Mr. Cress's condition remains about the same. He is no worse but has not shown any marked signs of improvement.

B. F. Gring writes from Storm Lake, Iowa, to renew his subscription to the Republican. Mr. Gring left Macon county a year ago with his family. He writes that he is well pleased with the Northwest county of Iowa, and does not hesitate to recommend Buena Vista county to his friends.

### FUNERAL OF A. MAXWELL.

Held This Morning Universalist Church and was Largely Attended—Services—by Rev. Gibb.

The funeral of the late Alfred Maxwell was held this morning at 10 o'clock from the Universalist church and was largely attended. There were many beautiful floral offerings. Music was rendered by a choir composed of Mrs. F. P. Howard, Miss Beatrice Howard, A. Lindamood and Harry Kepler. The services were conducted by Rev. Sophia Gibb of Boone, Iowa, formerly pastor of the Universalist church of this city. She was assisted by Rev. W. C. Miller of the Congregational church. Rev. Gibb preached a brief funeral sermon. The burial was at Greenway cemetery. The pall bearers were Peter Loeb, O. B. Gorin, George Bright, F. M. Cox, V. G. Hatch and W. T. Wells.

### BANQUET TO BAYARD.

The Mansion House the Scene of an Unparalleled Function.

London, March 3.—Not in many years has the mansion house contained a gathering so representative of British achievements as assembled last night to honor Mr. Bayard. The interior of the mansion house was brilliancy itself. At a few minutes before 7:30 o'clock Mr. Bayard arrived and was received with marked signs of respected attention. The guests proceeded to the Egyptian hall, Lord Mayor Phillips escorting Bayard. The lord mayor seated himself in the center of the table of honor, Bayard on his right hand and Lord Salisbury on his left. Over 800 sat down. It was a remarkable gathering and in its distinguished personnel perhaps never before equalled in Great Britain.

Smoked bloater, herring and halibut Pearl Oyster and Fish Co., telephone 344.—8-df

### Incendiary Fire—Loss of Life.

Wheeling, W. Va., March 3.—An incendiary fire this morning in Mrs. Ferrall's boarding house resulted in the death of John Henderson and his 13-year-old son, Percy, and the probable fatal burning of James Brady.

### Insurance Losses Adjusted.

The adjustment by the recent fire in the Masonic Temple building was completed today. The loss on the building was placed at \$327. Loss on the stock of goods at the Ottenheimer & Co. clothing store, \$2400.

### Got Gold.

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J. Edward Saxton, who went to Philadelphia to visit friends, has been ill in that city. He has been suffering with an attack of the grip but is said to be now recovering.

### Terrific Gale in England.

London, March 3.—Terrific gales prevail inland and on all coasts. Much damage has resulted. There have been many wrecks. No loss of life.

### At the regular monthly meeting of the Women's club Friday, March 6, the art and literature division will give a poster's entertainment. Miss Beulah Mitchell of the Chicago Art Institute, will lecture on poster art, poster girls will be in attendance. After the program a poster lunch will be served. A small admission fee will be charged at the doors to non-members. All are cordially invited to attend.

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### ARREST OF KINCAID.

Caught in Virginia for the Murder of Tom Hickman.

A telegram from Richmond, Va., announces the arrest near that city of Lloyd Kincaid, accused of the murder of Tom Hickman, at Monticello, Ill., in June, 1893. The message says: Before he returns to the prairie state an opportunity will be given him of witnessing part, at least, of the ceremonies incident to the inauguration of Major McKinley as president.

Kincaid's arrest was made after years of persistent detective work. Attorney C. F. Mansfield found that Kincaid and Hickman had been paying attention to the same woman, and that Kincaid was jealous. But there was an end of the clew, until recently a revolver, watch and handcuffs were found buried together. The revolver belonged to Kincaid and the watch and handcuffs to the dead man.

Shively of Platte county, Illinois, and Attorney Mansfield brought the accused man to Richmond and Tuesday Governor O'Farrell signed the necessary requisition.

Shively and Mansfield spent yesterday in seeing the town, taking Kincaid with them. They say they will stay in Washington long enough to give the prisoner and themselves a chance to take in the inauguration. Kincaid, Fales and Otis Woolington are to be tried at Monticello for the murder of Hickman.

### RUMORED PRIZE FIGHT.

The Mt. Zion Affair Reported in Decatur Last Night Did Not Amount to Anything.

It was rumored in this city last night that there was to be a prize fight at Mt. Zion. A good many inquiries were made by those who are interested in such things but nothing definite could be learned. It was stated that Dennis Dinger, a saloon keeper of this city, and George Fisher were to fight to a finish and that they had left in the afternoon for Mt. Zion. Dinger said today that the fact of the matter was that he and Fisher expected to give a little sparing match before the members of an athletic club at Mt. Zion. The affair was talked around a good deal and when the men got to Mt. Zion it was feared that arrests would be made so the match was called off and the men returned to Decatur.

### NOT A CANDIDATE.

W. H. Black authorizes the statement that he has not been, is not now and will not be a candidate for city attorney at the approaching municipal election. He asserts that he has no ambition in that direction, but is grateful to those who have expressed themselves as favoring his nomination. He does not know how the story got out that he was in the race for the office. He had never intimated that he would be a candidate. He says he is not after any office and is content to continue in the practice of law in the same old way.

### Gold Standard Democrats.

Grand Rapids, Mich., March 3.—The gold standard Democratic state convention is in session here to nominate candidates for supreme court justice and university regent. The attendance is not large but it includes many life long influential Democrats.

### Foot Ball Saturday.

Two high school foot ball teams will play a game next Saturday afternoon at the Edward street grounds. The boys are behind the last game they played and they will charge an admission of ten cents in the hopes of making up their loss.

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